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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Majority prices were trending mostly unchanged for next week. Trade sentiment was steady to barely steady in the Midwest, cautiously steady in the Northeast, and steady elsewhere. Retail demand was improved somewhat, but remained moderate at best, to fairly good in the West. Food service was moderate to good, best into fast food channels. Supplies were usually sufficient with heavier weights close balanced in the East, but ample in the West. In the parts structure, wings were in the strongest position with supplies balanced to tight and all other items were at least adequate with light to fair movement. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were mostly desirable.

Preliminary report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers fob to first receivers at major market areas week of 07/12-07/17/99 (cents per lb)

	(COMPOSITE		
(Includ	ding branded pi	roduct)	WTD	
<u>AREAS</u>	MAJORITY	RANGE	<u>AVG</u>	LOADS
Bos/New Eng	TFEWR			
Chicago	52.00-55.00	44.00-64.00	55	28
Cincinnati	TFEWR			
Cleveland	TFEWR			
Denver	65.50			
Detroit	TFEWR			
Los Angeles	66.00			
New York	53.00-56.00			
Philadelphia	TFEWR			
Pittsburgh	TFEWR	_		
St. Louis	TFEWR	_		
San Francisco	66.50			
	Southeast A	rea FOB Dock E	quivalen	<u>t</u>
Mississippi	59.00-61.00	44.00-61.50	60.08	81

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 61.50 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

PRELIMINARY FOB DOCK OR **EQUIVALENT**

7.419

<u>LOADS</u>	<u>RANGE</u>	<u>FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG.</u>				
582	53.00-63.25	61.11				
Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed preliminary weighted average price on						
ice packed parts: WTD. AVG. VOLUME						
<u>ITEM</u>	(CENTS PER POUNI	<u>(000 POUNDS)</u>				
BREASTS - B/S	165.50	3,380				
BREASTS - WHO	DLE 80.00	1,278				
THIGH MEAT - B/	S 64.00	530				

WINGS 48.50 2.210 THIS INFORMATION IS SUPPLIED BY THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE'S POULTRY MARKET NEWS SERVICE.

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SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was steady at best. Retail demand was slow and unaggressive to fair, but better for food service, particularly fast food. Supplies were usually sufficient to handle needs. In the parts structure, wings showed improvement and were moving well, dark meat items were adequate yet becoming more available with fair movement, and breast items were at least adequate with light interest. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at weights desirable to light.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS The market tone was generally steady. Preliminary majority prices were unchanged from last Friday's levels. Offerings of wholebody under 3 pounds were adequate and heavier weights ample for full trade needs. Buying interest was fair. Demand was moderate overall by restaurants, best to cover fast food needs: demand by stores was moderate to fairly good, best where featured. Dealers anticipated satisfactory weekend clearances. The market tone was firm on wings and steady on balance of parts.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS The preliminary majority into Chicago unchanged from last Monday's final majority, balance of areas were too few to report. Trade sentiment on whole fryers was steady to instances barely steady. Retail demand was moderate and noted as improved for the upcoming weekend. Food service movement was moderate to good, especially into fast food outlets. Supplies adequate with sizes desirable. Parts demand was for immediate needs only for the fully adequate offerings. Trade sentiment generally steady on all parts items.

NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trucklot buying interest on ready to-cook whole broiler/fryers was no better than fair. Offerings were generally sufficient for trade needs with heavier sizes in the best balance. Retail and distributive movement was light to fair. The market tone was cautiously steady. In the parts market, wings were in close balance to tight. Leg items were fully adequate. Breast items ranged adequate to ample.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds increased slightly entering the weekend, but remained no better than fair overall. Seller offerings were at least adequate with the heavier sizes in the closer balance. Live supplies were moderate; weights were generally noted as in a desirable mix. Processing schedules were heavy when added to operations planned for Saturday. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 56 to 68 cents. Trade sentiment was no better than steady. In the parts complex, wings were in tight supply. Other items were at least adequate and were often noted as competitively priced to stimulate activity. *BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DEL MARVA BRANDED U.S. GRADE A

FROM DELIMARVA.		BRANDED U.S. GRADE A
RANGE		55-73
WEIGHTED AVERAGE		60.51
NO. OF BOXES		6,363
CUMULATIVE	07/05/99-07/09/99	60.47
	07/06/98-07/10/98	68.38
NO. OF BOXES	07/05/99-07/09/99	29,767
	07/06/98-07/10/98	37,642
*6 of 8 plants reporting		

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JUL 08, 1999		<u>sol</u>	UTHERN STA	TES BROI	LER/FRYE	R PARTS			JUL 09	9, 1999
J	POUNDS	3		WTD	POUNDS	;			WEEK	LY
<u>ITEM</u>	<u>(000)</u>	<u>RANGE</u>	<u>MAJORITY</u>	<u>AVG</u>	(000)	RANGE	<u>MAJORITY</u>	WTD AVG	(000)	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	749 1	47.00-197.00	148-155	155.36	789	147.00-197.00	147-155	156.76	3,241	156.68
TENDERLOINS	162 1	45.00-200.00	-	185.74	86	140.00-200.00	140-145	169.07	500	179.94
BREAST - LINE RUN	89	75.00-79.00	-	78.64	153	75.00-78.00	75-77	76.43	472	77.35
FRONT HALVES	TC	OO FEW TO RE	PORT				TOO FEW TO	O REPORT	320	67.00
LEGS	TC	OO FEW TO RE	PORT		160	25.00-30.00	-	28.75	483	29.64
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	430	19.00-23.00	20-22	20.49	601	20.00-23.00	20-21	20.94	2,306	21.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,885	22.00-26.00	23-24	23.47	2,027	22.00-26.00	23-24	23.59	7,071	23.59
WINGS (WHOLE)	224	39.00-49.00	45-47	44.98	194	42.00-49.00	43-45	44.80	832	45.31
WINGS (CUT)	376	58.00-68.00	58-59	58.04	462	55.00-68.00	57-58	57.78	1,693	57.79
DRUMSTICKS	TC	OO FEW TO RE	PORT				TOO FEW TO	O REPORT	108	39.00
THIGHS	TC	OO FEW TO RE	PORT				TOO FEW TO	O REPORT	81	39.00
B/S THIGHS	90	56.00-72.00	-	59.78	116	56.00-72.00	-	59.93	387	60.08
WHOLE BODY INDEX BA	ŠED ON	*************************	**************************************	******** S	**************************************	E BODY INDEX E	3ASED ON S	ÖÜTHERN S	TATES P	ARTS
TRADING FOR JUL 08, 19	999 — F.	O.B. DOCK.			TRADII	NG FOR JUL 09,	1999— F.O.	B. DOCK.		
		TODAY'S						TODAY'S	3	5-DAY
<u>R</u>	<u>ANGE</u>	<u>AVERAGE</u>				<u>F</u>	RANGE	<u>AVERAGE</u>		<u>AVERAGE</u>
40.00 - The Index is intended solely	48.00 as an inc	43.75 dicator of values	for commodity-	type produ	ct and doe	40.50 s not represent inc		43.72 ness to sell or	ability to	44.07 buy.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS

*******Effective July 1, breast tenderloins and boneless skinless thigh meat will be included in the daily Northeast Broiler/Fryer Parts reports and on the Friday weekly weighted average price report. Expansion of these reports is in response to changes in marketing of ready-to-cook young chicken parts and meat items."******

PRICES PAID PER POUND, ICE PACKED AND CO2 PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES.

JUL 09. 1999

WEEKLY

TROUND TROUND	QUANTITIES.			JUL 03, 1333			**	LLIXLI
JUL 08, 1999	CURRENTNEG	WTD		CURRENTNEG	WTD		WTD	
<u>ITEM</u>	TRADING*	AVG**	VOL/LBS	TRADING*	AVG**	VOL/LBS	<u>AVG</u>	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	150-155	168.30	187,640	150-155160.73	3 447,000	160.441,437	,790	
TENDERLOINS	-	147.78	27,880	-140.82	45,600	145.45 167,	920	
BREAST - WITH RIBS	67-68	77.83	157,440	67-6878.72	185,200	77.55 660,	000	
BREAST - LINE RUN	67	70.22	162,200	6769.6067,120	69.77	572,880		30-31
LEGS	30-31	35.27	158,040	34.10327,080	34.33	821,760		23-24
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	23-24	23.70	347,442	23.65244,120	24.05	1,177,612		30-31
DRUMSTICKS	30-31	35.02	61,070	34.7967,840	33.77	324,850		17-18
THIGHS	17-18	32.03	37,640	31.7539,470	29.84	194,620		70-71
B/S THIGHS	70-71	70.25	9,280	71.5529,640	70.10	92,570		46-47
WINGS (WHOLE)	45-46	51.63	149,600	51.58155,160	51.81	606,960		10-12
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPP	ED) 10-12	12.22	16,560	12.2815,520	12.16	73,160		15-20
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	15-20	24.89	12,320	25.0015,640	25.37	68,095		35
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	35	39.63	22,760	39.5726,760	38.69	108,950		
INCLUDES: NY CITY MÉTRO. ARI	EA, RI, NORTHERI	N NJ, MA, CT	T, PA (NORTHEA	AST OF HARRISBUF	RG).* TODAY'S N	EG. SALES AS OF 11	:30 A.M.	

** WTD AVG PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M. ***TWO DAYS VOLUME

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

					A۷	G		AVG
	ESTIM	<u>ATED</u>	<u>ACT</u>	<u>UAL</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>ΓS</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>WTS</u>
	07/09	07/08	07/07	07/06	07/07	707/06	07/02	06/30
ALA	4,777	3,904	3,830	3,647	5.02	5.11	4,082	5.07
ARK	6,486	5,184	4,710	4,999	5.06	4.89	5,822	4.91
DELMARVA	2,745	2,396	(A)	2,204	(A)	5.08	2,713	5.07
KY-LA-TN	2,050	1,803	1,755	1,635	4.47	4.48	2,461	4.45
MISS	2,993	2,684	(A)	2,710	(A)	4.99	3,500	4.98
NC	2,722	2,602	2,366	2,431	5.48	5.56	3,117	5.56
TEXAS	2,179	2,074	2,073	2,076	4.67	4.72	2,511	4.65
TOTAL	23,952	20,647	19,851	19,702	4.99	5.00	24,206	4.98
MON-FRI	96,305(A)				1	05,490((A)

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 09-Jul and10-Jul-99 is estimated to be 35,835,000 down 1.35 percent from a week ago and up 5.0 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 36,324,000; last year 34,124,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 10-Jul-99 is estimated to be 156,060,000 head down 2.5 percent from a week ago, and up 7.6 percent from a year ago (Last week 160,052,000 Last year 145,101,000)

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH FRYERS	82-84
ROASTERS 4# & UP	82-88
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	83-91
DUCKS	135
RABBITS-WHOLE	359
RABBITS-CUT UP	376

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RESTAURA	<u>ANTS AND INS</u>	<u>III U HONS</u>
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK 9	2-98
	DRY PACK	118
ROASTERS 4# & UP	DRY PACK	108
	ICE PACK10	04-110
HENS OVER 5#	DRY PACK	98
	ICE PACK	92
DUCKS	14	49-166

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED Under federal inspection,

classified by live weight, week ending June 26, 1999 (Preliminary),

(A) Fast food/
(B) Retail
(C) Deboning

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	Food service			
	4.20 Lbs & down	4.21-5.25 Lbs	5.26 Lbs & Up	
	7	THOUSANDS		
Head	32,226	29,689	47,887	
Avg Weight	3.87	4.74	6.05	
% of total /1	29%	27%	44%	
COMPARISO	NS			
Last week	28,629	23,903	43,563	
Avg Weight	3.79	4.77	5.99	
% of total /1	30%	25%	45%	
Same week,	yr ago /2 31,839	46,759	19,492	
Avg Weight	3.76	4.82	6.00	
% of total /1	32%	48%	20%	
To date/1999	813,052	694,676	1,102,174	
To date/1998	851,716	864,310	776,484	

- /1 May not total to 100% due to rounding.
- /2 Comparable week.
- (A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include cornish hens.
- (B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.
- (C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 03-Jul-99 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	HENS	HEAVY HENS		DUCKS	
		I I	HOUSAN	DS		
HEAD	160,052(A) 2,244	1,513	3,757	518	
AVGWT	5.02	3.40	7.86	4.96	6.38	
LAST WEEK	159,424	2,157	1,461	3,618	418	
YR AGO	138,469	1,851	1,066	2,917	360	
AVGWT	4.66	3.38	8.02	5.08	6.77	
TO-DATE/1999	3,940,129	56,854	35,415	92,269	11,582	
TO-DATE/1998	3,780,454	54,703	32,922	87,625	11,606	
(A) The estimate	ed number of	f fryers a	vailable f	or marketi	ing based on	
the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier						
was 154.9 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period						
162.0 million he	ad or 7.1 mil	lion head	l more ti	nan or 10	5 percent of	
estimated fryers	available.				-	

EAST PETERSBURG POULTRY— **DATE OF AUCTION** JULY 06, 1999 PRICES PAID PER POUND, EXCEPT AS NOTED

	RAN	NGE		RAI	NGE
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	1.00	- 1.10	Pigeons	2.00 -	2.50ea.
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	1.10	- 1.24	Pullets 4-6	.40 -	.52
Banty Hens	2.50	-3.75 ea.	Rabbits 4-6	.40 -	.72
Banty Roosters	3.00	-7.25 ea.	Rabbits 7-11	.40 -	.62
Bunnies	.25	-1.00 ea.	Red Fowl 4-4.5	.40 -	.64
Crossbred Fowl 5-9	.50	98	Red Fowl 5-6	.50 -	.82
Crossbred Roosters 4-6	.70	- 1.08	Silkies	1.50 -	2.25ea.
Crossbred Roosters 7-1	1 .40	94	White Pigeons	3.25 -	3.50ea.
Goats	10.00	-62.00ea	.Guinea Fowl	1.00 -	3.00
Kid Goats 2	20.00	-44.00ea	.Guinea Pigs	2.50 -	6.00ea.

Total Coops Sold 464

EASTERN REGION MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY

FOR CURRENT DELIVERY FED-STATE FOR WEEK OF 05-JUL-99 **DUCKLINGS:** PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS, US GRADE A, 4-5 POUNDS, DELIVERED IN TRUCKLOT AND POOL TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES

ORIGIN	<u>FROZEN</u>	<u>FRESH</u>
LONG ISLAND	134	139-140
MIDWEST	117-119	118-120

ROASTERS: PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS, US GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE, 5 POUNDS AND UP, DELIVERED

		RANGE	MOSTLY
ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	65-66	
VACUUM PAC	KED (6-9 PER BOX)	68-83	68-73
SQUABS: NEW Y	ORK AREA WHOLE	SALE PR	ICES, FROZEN,
PLANT GRADE, I	DOLLARS PER DOZ	EN, 1 TO	10 BOXES
12 OZ.	60.4	8-69.66	
14 OZ.	66.9	6-76.14	
16 OZ.	73.4	4-83.43	

THE EASTERN REGION INCLUDES:

CT,DE,FL,GA,MA,MD,ME,NC,NH,NJ,NY,PA,RI,SC,VA,VT,WV

<u>CENTRAL REGION DUCKLINGS</u> Prices remained unchanged. Trade sentiment steady. Demand was moderate to fairly good. Sizes were mostly desirable. Prices paid to first receivers for 10-18 oz boneless breast at \$4.65-5.25, legs at \$2.80-2.95, bone in legs at \$1.15-1.70, leg quarters at \$1.08-1.15, gizzards \$1.30-1.40, and wings at \$0.40-.60.

PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS FOR US GRADE A DELIVERED IN TRUCKLOT AND POOL TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, 4-5 POUNDS, WEEK OF 05-JUL-99

<u>ORIGIN</u>	<u>FROZEN</u>	<u>FRESH</u>
MIDWEST AND OTHERS	117-119	118
MOSTLY		

ESTIMATED U.S. SLAUGHTER COMPARED TO ESTIMATED FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING.

		MILLION HEAD	MILLION HEA	AD	
WEEK ENDING		SLAUGHTERED	AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
MAY	29	158.9	152.5	104	5.07
JUNE	5	143.5	153.5	93	5.06
	12	153.7	154.2	100	5.04
	19	158.4	154.6	102	5.11
	26	161.4	154.6	104	5.05
JULY	3	162.0	154.9	105	5.02
YEAR TO DAT	Έ	3987.9	3938.4	101	
	10		154.6		
	17		155.4		

CALIFORNIA PLTRY SLTR UNDER FED. INSP W/E 03-Jul-99 IN THOUSANDS

Broilers 75 HD, 380 lbs., Light Hens 6 HD, 21 lbs., Heavy Hens 0 HD, 0 lbs.

BROILER/CATTLE/HOG WEEKLY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER

THOUSANDS					
<u>W/E</u>	<u>7/10/99</u>	<u>7/3/99</u>	%CHG	<u>7/11/98</u>	%CHG
Broilers	156,060	*160,052	-03	*145,101	+08
Cattle	616	710	-13	*673	-08
Hogs	1,578	1,842	-14	*1,718	+08
Under Fe	deral Inspection	n			

* ACTUAL

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NATIONAL CANNER FOWL Prices were irregular. Demand was only fair as offerings were reported as fully adequate for trade need. The undertone continues to be mixed, but steadier.

LIGHT CANNER HENS **HEAVY CANNER HENS** (WITHOUT NECKS) (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS) 33-40 MAJORITY 34-36 24.5-27 MAJORITY 25.25-26

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST

INCLUDED

HEAVY CANNER HENS LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS) (WITHOUT NECKS)

26.5-29 MAJORITY 26.5-27.25 33.75-40 MAJORITY 37-37.5

EASTERN LIGHT Prices were generally unchanged. Demand continues to be light and unaggressive for ample to burdensome offerings. There are still some reports that a few sellers are paying the processor to pick up the spent fowl at the farm. Undertone remains unsettled to weak.

SOUTHEAST HEAVY HENS Sales were too few to report prices. Demand was light and seasonal as offerings continue to be fully adequate to ample for processors needs. The undertone was mixed and unsettled, but still mostly steady.

NORTH CENTRAL LIVE LIGHT HEN Prices were unchanged with the majority of prices at 1 cent. Trading and demand was light for the fully adequate offers of spent fowl. Trade sentiment steady.

WEST COAST LIGHT Plants worked short holiday week. Offerings exceeded available line time.

LIVE HENS

HFAVY

Cents per pound, generally for slaughter the following week. RANGE

IILAVI	INAINOL	IVIAGOINITI
Southeast Heavy	TFEWR (1)	
Southeast Heavy	TFEWR (2)	
f.o.b. plant	TFEWR	
South Central Heavy	TFEWR (1)	
<u>LIGHT</u>	RANGE	MAJORITY
Eastern Light	0-0 (1)	
Eastern Light	TFEWR (2)	
So. Central Light	TFEWR (2)	
No. Central Light	TFEWR (1)	
No. Central Light	0-1 (2)	1
(1) Buyer Loading	(2) Producer Loading	

(TFEWR) TOO FEW TO REPORT